Hoosier Riverwatch is Indiana's statewide volunteer stream monitoring and education program. It is operated by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management with federal 319 funding. Our mission is to involve the citizens of Indiana in becoming active stewards of Indiana's water resources through watershed education, water monitoring, and clean-up activities.

We accomplish this mission through the following goals:

- Educate citizens on watersheds and the relationship between land use and water quality.
- Train citizens on the basic principles of water quality monitoring.
- Promote opportunities for involvement in water quality issues.
- Provide water quality information to individuals and groups working to protect water resources.
- Support volunteer efforts through technical assistance, monitoring equipment, networking opportunities and education materials.

Hoosier Riverwatch has provided Equipment since 2001 to eligible groups. The combined Chemical and Biological packages are valued at over **\$400 worth of equipment and supplies**.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Equipment recipients must meet the following criteria:

- Be affiliated with a non-profit organization, school, or government agency
- Agree to the Cooperative Agreement (page 4), including:
  - Attend a Basic Training Workshop (Must be registered for a 2015 workshop upon submission of application.)
  - Monitor and submit data online at least four (4) times per year for two (2) years (Total of eight (8) data sets by December 31, 2017)
- Return the completed 2015 Equipment Application no later than <u>September 1, 2015</u>.

**NOTE**: Applications are processed on a rolling basis. Equipment Packages available beginning in **March 2015**. The award process is competitive, so please complete your application in detail so that we may fully assess your organization's suitability as a recipient.

# APPLICATION CHECKLIST ☐ Thoroughly read Equipment Package Application. ☐ Complete pages 3 and 4 - with all required signatures. ☐ If you are part of a non-profit organization, please attach Articles of Incorporation. ☐ Return completed documents to Hoosier Riverwatch Coordinator at

## **CHEMICAL TESTING PACKAGE**

riverwatch@idem.in.gov.

- CHEMetrics® Dissolved oxygen kit
- CHEMetrics® Orthophosphate kit
- Waterworks<sup>TM</sup> test strips for pH
- Waterworks<sup>TM</sup> test strips for nitrates/nitrites
- Thermometer
- Transparency tube
- BOD bottle

### **BIOLOGICAL MONITORING PACKAGE**

- Kick seine net without poles
- Aquatic dip net with 4' handle
- Set of color macroinvertebrate identification cards
- Two (2) bug magnifying cubes
- Copy of Golden Guide's Pond Life
- Two-way viewer
- Dishpan

#### BOTH CHEMICAL TESTING PACKAGE AND BIOLOGICAL MONITORING PACKAGE

All of the above listed items.

Completed applications must be postmarked no later than <u>September 1, 2015.</u>

# **APPLICATION**

## **BASIC INFORMATION**

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Name	
Address (number and street)	
City, State, and ZIP Code	County
E-mail Address	Telephone Number
Date Trained (month, day, year) / Location (if applicable)	
ORGANIZATION INFORMATION	
Name of Organization	
Director / Principal / President	
Address (number and street)	
City, State, and ZIP Code	County
E-mail Address	Telephone Number
Which equipment package are you interested in receiving (re	efer to page 2 for descriptions)?
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# **COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT**

Between Hoosier Riverwatch of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management and

(Please fill in Organization's complete name.)	
This Cooperative Agreement is made and entered into by Hoosier Riverwatch and the organization written above o identify responsibilities, expectations, duties, and procedures related to the awarding of water quality monitoring equipment to eligible organizations in the State of Indiana. The awarding of such equipment supports he primary goal of Hoosier Riverwatch to increase public awareness of water quality issues by training volunteers in stream monitoring and environmental stewardship activities.	
n accor	dance with this Cooperative Agreement, the Equipment Package Recipient shall:
	Attend a Hoosier Riverwatch Basic Workshop before receiving an Equipment Package (applicants may apply for Equipment prior to attending a workshop).
	Work with Hoosier Riverwatch to make arrangements to obtain the equipment.
	Select one or more river/stream site(s) for regular water quality monitoring.
	Monitor and submit at least <b>eight (8) data sets to the online database</b> , <a href="https://www.HoosierRiverwatch.com">www.HoosierRiverwatch.com</a> , prior to <a href="https://www.HoosierRiverwatch.com">December 31, 2017</a> (recipients typically submit data sets four (4) times per year for two (2) years).
	<b>Maintain equipment.</b> Order refill chemicals and replacement supplies from Hoosier Riverwatch if needed. <i>Please note</i> : Hoosier Riverwatch reserves the right to deny any refill request if the recipient organization is not actively monitoring, submitting data online, and/or utilizing Hoosier Riverwatch equipment.
	Arrange for the return of the equipment if for any reason the equipment recipient cannot satisfy these terms during the two (2) year agreement period. The primary contact is responsible for contacting Hoosier Riverwatch with new contact information or to return the equipment if moving, changing jobs, or quitting the program!
n accor	dance with this Cooperative Agreement, <b>Hoosier Riverwatch</b> shall:
☐ Provide introductory and advanced training workshops in water monitoring.	
	Serve as manager for the statewide <b>Volunteer Stream Monitoring Internet Database</b> – online at <a href="https://www.HoosierRiverwatch.com">www.HoosierRiverwatch.com</a> .
	Act as a source for on-going consultation and support.
<u>Signatures</u>	
This document outlines the terms of the Cooperative Agreement. Failure of the recipient to meet the terms listed above will result in the return of all equipment. By signing/typing below both parties accept the terms of this agreement:	
Direct	or/Principal/President - Date (month, day, year) Primary Contact - Date (month, day, year)
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For HRW use:	